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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Before beginning examination and calculating the fees in this application, please amend the above-identified application as indicated below:

In the Specification

Insert a new heading after the Title, --Cross-Reference to Related Applications-- and insert as text on the next line thereafter as follows:

--This application is a Continuation application from Serial No. 09/681,394, filed March 28, 2001, the contents of which is hereby incorporated by reference --

In the Claims

Please add new claims 32-45 as follows:

- 32. (New) A coil stent comprising a first loop and a second loop, the first and second loop arcing about the longitudinal axis of the stent, each of the first and second loops having a first end and a second end, the stent further comprising an expandable link extending between the second end of the first loop and the first end of the second loop.
- 33. (New) The coil stent of claim 32 wherein the expandable link has at least one bend therein.
- 34. (New) The coil stent of claim 33 comprising a plurality of expandable links, each link having at least one bend therein.